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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiroki INOUE

Serial No.: 09/008,497

Filed: January 16, 1998

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND
METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

Assignee: United Microelectronics Corp.

Art Unit: 2814

Examiner: Rao, S.

Atty Docket: 21987/0033

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**RENEWED PETITION TO REVIVE AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.137(b)****BOX DAC***Via facsimile: (703) 308-6916***Attn: Nancy Johnson, Esq.**

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Sir:

Further to the telephone conversation between the undersigned and Ms. Nancy Johnson, USPTO Petitions Attorney, on October 28, 2002, and in response to the the Decision on Petition mailed October 22, 2002, the Assignee of the entire interest in the application respectfully requests reconsideration of the dismissal of the Petition for the reasons discussed below.

The application unintentionally became abandoned on September 10, 2000 as a result of a failure to file a response to the outstanding final Official Action dated June 9, 2000. The application was reassigned by the former Assignee, Nippon Steel Corporation, to the present Assignee, United Microelectronics Corporation, on January 29, 2001.

As indicated in the accompanying declaration executed by an Officer of Nippon Steel Corporation, the previous Assignee, the entire delay in responding to the outstanding Official Action from the date of abandonment, September 10, 2000, through the date of reassignment of the

application to the present Assignee, United Microelectronics Corporation, on January 29, 2001 was unintentional.

The present Assignee has previously submitted, on September 26, 2002, a Declaration stating that the entire delay in responding to the outstanding Official Action, from the date of reassignment of the application to United Microelectronics Corporation on January 29, 2001, until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional.

The Assignee and present owner of the entire interest in the above-identified application respectfully requests that the previously submitted Declaration by the present Assignee and the enclosed Declaration by the previous Assignee be considered, and that the above referenced application be revived.

A change of correspondence address to the undersigned was submitted on September 26, 2002, concurrently with the original Petition to Revive. To continue prosecution of the application, Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner's final rejection of the claims on September 26, 2002.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true. All statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. These statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure: Declaration in Support of Petition by previous Assignee

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Sir:

The former Assignee and owner of the entire interest in the above-identified application respectfully requests that this Declaration be considered in support of the accompanying Renewed Petition to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Application.

Nippon Steel Corporation, incorporated in Japan, owned the entire interest in the above-identified application from the date of filing, January 16, 1998, until January 29, 2001, the date that the application was reassigned to United Microelectronics Corporation, an entity incorporated under the laws of the Republic of China.

The application unintentionally became abandoned on September 10, 2000 as a result of a failure to file a response to the outstanding final Official Action dated June 9, 2000. The entire delay in responding to the outstanding Official Action through the date of reassignment of the application to United Microelectronics Corporation on January 29, 2001 was unintentional.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kuni Hayashi

Signature

KUNIHIDE HAYASHI

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for former ASSIGNEE and ASSIGNOR NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION
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